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# GALAHAD

# LSQP

USER DOCUMENTATION

GALAHAD Optimization Library version 5.1

## 1 SUMMARY

This package uses an primal-dual interior-point method to solve the **linear or separable convex quadratic programming problem**

$$\text{minimize } \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=1}^n w_i^2 (x_i - x_i^0)^2 + \mathbf{g}^T \mathbf{x} + f$$

subject to the general linear constraints

$$c_i^l \leq \mathbf{a}_i^T \mathbf{x} \leq c_i^u, \quad i = 1, \dots, m,$$

and the simple bound constraints

$$x_j^l \leq x_j \leq x_j^u, \quad j = 1, \dots, n,$$

where the vectors  $\mathbf{w}$ ,  $\mathbf{g}$ ,  $\mathbf{x}^0$ ,  $\mathbf{a}_i$ ,  $\mathbf{c}^l$ ,  $\mathbf{c}^u$ ,  $\mathbf{x}^l$ ,  $\mathbf{x}^u$  and the scalar  $f$  are given. Full advantage is taken of any zero coefficients in the vectors  $\mathbf{a}_i$ . Any of the constraint bounds  $c_i^l$ ,  $c_i^u$ ,  $x_j^l$  and  $x_j^u$  may be infinite. In the special case where  $\mathbf{w} = 0$ ,  $\mathbf{g} = 0$  and  $f = 0$ , the so-called analytic center of the feasible set will be found, while linear programming, or constrained least distance, problems may be solved by picking  $\mathbf{w} = 0$ , or  $\mathbf{g} = 0$  and  $f = 0$ , respectively.

The more-modern GALAHAD package CQP offers similar functionality, and is often to be preferred.

**ATTRIBUTES — Versions:** GALAHAD\_LSQP\_single, GALAHAD\_LSQP\_double. **Uses:** GALAHAD\_CLOCK, GALAHAD\_SYMBOLS, GALAHAD\_SPACE, GALAHAD\_TOOLS, GALAHAD\_SPECFILE, GALAHAD\_SMT, GALAHAD\_QPT, GALAHAD\_QPP, GALAHAD\_QPD, GALAHAD\_ROOTS, GALAHAD\_SBLS, GALAHAD\_FDC. **Date:** October 2001. **Origin:** N. I. M. Gould, Rutherford Appleton Laboratory, and Ph. L. Toint, University of Namur, Belgium. **Language:** Fortran 95 + TR 15581 or Fortran 2003. **Parallelism:** Some options may use OpenMP and its runtime library.

## 2 HOW TO USE THE PACKAGE

The package is available with single, double and (if available) quadruple precision reals, and either 32-bit or 64-bit integers. Access to the 32-bit integer, single precision version requires the USE statement

```
USE GALAHAD_LSQP_single
```

with the obvious substitution GALAHAD\_LSQP\_double, GALAHAD\_LSQP\_quadruple, GALAHAD\_LSQP\_single\_64, GALAHAD\_LSQP\_double\_64 and GALAHAD\_LSQP\_quadruple\_64 for the other variants.

If it is required to use more than one of the modules at the same time, the derived types SMT\_type, QPT\_problem\_type, LSQP\_time\_type, LSQP\_control\_type, LSQP\_inform\_type and LSQP\_data\_type (Section 2.4) and the subroutines LSQP\_initialize, LSQP\_solve, LSQP\_terminate, (Section 2.5) and LSQP\_read\_specfile (Section 2.7) must be renamed on one of the USE statements.

### 2.1 Matrix storage formats

The constraint Jacobian  $\mathbf{A}$ , that is, the matrix whose rows are the vectors  $\mathbf{a}_i^T$ ,  $i = 1, \dots, m$ , may be stored in one of three input formats.

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### 2.1.1 Dense storage format

The matrix is stored as a compact dense matrix by rows, that is, the values of the entries of each row in turn are stored in order within an appropriate real one-dimensional array. Component  $n * (i - 1) + j$  of the storage array `A%val` will hold the value  $a_{ij}$  for  $i = 1, \dots, m$ ,  $j = 1, \dots, n$ .

### 2.1.2 Sparse co-ordinate storage format

Only the nonzero entries of the matrix are stored. For the  $l$ -th entry of **A**, its row index  $i$ , column index  $j$  and value  $a_{ij}$  are stored in the  $l$ -th components of the integer arrays `A%row`, `A%col` and real array `A%val`, respectively. The order is unimportant, but the total number of entries `A%ne` is also required.

### 2.1.3 Sparse row-wise storage format

Again only the nonzero entries are stored, but this time they are ordered so that those in row  $i$  appear directly before those in row  $i + 1$ . For the  $i$ -th row of **A**, the  $i$ -th component of a integer array `A%ptr` holds the position of the first entry in this row, while `A%ptr(m + 1)` holds the total number of entries plus one. The column indices  $j$  and values  $a_{ij}$  of the entries in the  $i$ -th row are stored in components  $l = \text{A\%ptr}(i), \dots, \text{A\%ptr}(i + 1) - 1$  of the integer array `A%col`, and real array `A%val`, respectively.

For sparse matrices, this scheme almost always requires less storage than its predecessor.

## 2.2 Real and integer kinds

We use the terms integer and real to refer to the fortran keywords `REAL(rp_)` and `INTEGER(ip_)`, where `rp_` and `ip_` are the relevant kind values for the real and integer types employed by the particular module in use. The former are equivalent to default `REAL` for the single precision versions, `DOUBLE PRECISION` for the double precision cases and quadruple-precision if 128-bit reals are available, and correspond to `rp_ = real32`, `rp_ = real64` and `rp_ = real128` respectively as defined by the fortran `iso_fortran_env` module. The latter are default (32-bit) and long (64-bit) integers, and correspond to `ip_ = int32` and `ip_ = int64`, respectively, again from the `iso_fortran_env` module.

## 2.3 Parallel usage

OpenMP may be used by the `GALAHAD-LSQP` package to provide parallelism for some solvers in shared memory environments. See the documentation for the `GALAHAD` package SLS for more details. To run in parallel, OpenMP must be enabled at compilation time by using the correct compiler flag (usually some variant of `-openmp`). The number of threads may be controlled at runtime by setting the environment variable `OMP_NUM_THREADS`.

MPI may also be used by the package to provide parallelism for some solvers in a distributed memory environment. To use this form of parallelism, MPI must be enabled at runtime by using the correct compiler flag (usually some variant of `-mpi`). Although the MPI process will be started automatically when required, it should be stopped by the calling program once no further use of this form of parallelism is needed. Typically, this will be via statements of the form

```
CALL MPI_INITIALIZED( flag, ierr )
IF ( flag ) CALL MPI_FINALIZE( ierr )
```

The code may be compiled and run in serial mode.

## 2.4 The derived data types

Six derived data types are accessible from the package.

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### 2.4.1 The derived data type for holding matrices

The derived data type `SMT_TYPE` is used to hold the matrix **A**. The components of `SMT_TYPE` used here are:

- `m` is a scalar component of type `INTEGER(ip_)`, that holds the number of rows in the matrix.
- `n` is a scalar component of type `INTEGER(ip_)`, that holds the number of columns in the matrix.
- `ne` is a scalar variable of type `INTEGER(ip_)`, that holds the number of matrix entries
- `type` is a rank-one allocatable array of type default `CHARACTER`, that is used to indicate the matrix storage scheme used. Its precise length and content depends on the type of matrix to be stored (see §2.4.2).
- `val` is a rank-one allocatable array of type `REAL(rp_)` and dimension at least `ne`, that holds the values of the entries. Each pair of off-diagonal entries  $a_{ij} = a_{ji}$  of a matrix **A** is represented as a single entry (see §2.1.1–2.1.3). Any duplicated entries that appear in the sparse co-ordinate or row-wise schemes will be summed.
- `row` is a rank-one allocatable array of type `INTEGER(ip_)`, and dimension at least `ne`, that may hold the row indices of the entries. (see §2.1.2).
- `col` is a rank-one allocatable array of type `INTEGER(ip_)`, and dimension at least `ne`, that may hold the column indices of the entries (see §2.1.2–2.1.3).
- `ptr` is a rank-one allocatable array of type `INTEGER(ip_)`, and dimension at least `m + 1`, that may hold the pointers to the first entry in each row (see §2.1.3).

### 2.4.2 The derived data type for holding the problem

The derived data type `QPT_problem_type` is used to hold the problem. The components of `QPT_problem_type` are:

- `new_problem_structure` is a scalar variable of type default `LOGICAL`, that is `.TRUE.` if this is the first (or only) problem in a sequence of problems with identical "structure" to be attempted, and `.FALSE.` if a previous problem with the same "structure" (but different numerical data) has been solved. Here, the term "structure" refers both to the sparsity patterns of the Jacobian matrices **A** involved (but not their numerical values), to the zero/nonzero/infinity patterns (a bound is either zero,  $\pm$  infinity, or a finite but arbitrary nonzero) of each of the constraint bounds, and to the variables and constraints that are fixed (both bounds are the same) or free (the lower and upper bounds are  $\pm$  infinity, respectively).
- `n` is a scalar variable of type `INTEGER(ip_)`, that holds the number of optimization variables,  $n$ .
- `m` is a scalar variable of type `INTEGER(ip_)`, that holds the number of general linear constraints,  $m$ .
- `Hessian_kind` is a scalar variable of type `INTEGER(ip_)`, that is used to indicate whether the weights **w** have special or general values. Possible values for `Hessian_kind` are:
  - 0 In this case,  $\mathbf{w} = 0$ , and an approximation to the analytic center (if `gradient_kind` = 0, see below) or the solution to the resulting *linear program* (if `gradient_kind`  $\neq$  0) will be computed.
  - 1 In this case,  $w_i = 1$  for  $i = 1, \dots, n$ .
  - $\neq 0, 1$  In this case, general values of **w** will be used, and will be provided by the user in the component `WEIGHT`.
- `WEIGHT` is a rank-one allocatable array type `REAL(rp_)`, that must be allocated to have length `n`, and its  $j$ -th component filled with the value  $w_j$  for  $i = 1, \dots, n$ , whenever `Hessian_kind`  $\neq$  0, 1. If `Hessian_kind` = 0, 1, `WEIGHT` need not be allocated.

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`X0` is a rank-one allocatable array type `REAL(rp_)`, that must be allocated to have length `n`, and its  $j$ -th component filled with the value  $x_i^0$  for  $i = 1, \dots, n$ , whenever `Hessian_kind`  $\neq 0$ . If `Hessian_kind` = 0, `X0` need not be allocated.

`gradient_kind` is a scalar variable of type `INTEGER(ip_)`, that is used to indicate whether the components of the gradient  $\mathbf{g}$  have special or general values. Possible values for `gradient_kind` are:

0 In this case,  $\mathbf{g} = 0$ .

1 In this case,  $g_i = 1$  for  $i = 1, \dots, n$ .

$\neq 0, 1$  In this case, general values of  $\mathbf{g}$  will be used, and will be provided by the user in the component `G`.

`G` is a rank-one allocatable array of dimension `n` and type `REAL(rp_)`, that holds the gradient  $\mathbf{g}$  of the linear term of the quadratic objective function. The  $j$ -th component of `G`,  $j = 1, \dots, n$ , contains  $g_j$ . If `gradient_kind` = 0, 1, `G` need not be allocated.

`f` is a scalar variable of type `REAL(rp_)`, that holds the constant term,  $f$ , in the objective function.

`A` is scalar variable of type `SMT_TYPE` that holds the Jacobian matrix  $\mathbf{A}$ . The following components are used:

`A%type` is an allocatable array of rank one and type default `CHARACTER`, that is used to indicate the storage scheme used. If the dense storage scheme (see Section 2.1.1) is used, the first five components of `A%type` must contain the string `DENSE`. For the sparse co-ordinate scheme (see Section 2.1.2), the first ten components of `A%type` must contain the string `COORDINATE`, while for the sparse row-wise storage scheme (see Section 2.1.3), the first fourteen components of `A%type` must contain the string `SPARSE_BY_ROWS`.

For convenience, the procedure `SMT_put` may be used to allocate sufficient space and insert the required keyword into `A%type`. For example, if `prob` is of derived type `LSQP_problem_type` and involves a Jacobian we wish to store using the sparse row-wise storage scheme, we may simply

```
CALL SMT_put( prob%A%type, 'SPARSE_BY_ROWS' )
```

See the documentation for the GALAHAD package `SMT` for further details on the use of `SMT_put`.

`A%ne` is a scalar variable of type `INTEGER(ip_)`, that holds the number of entries in  $\mathbf{A}$  in the sparse co-ordinate storage scheme (see Section 2.1.2). It need not be set for either of the other two schemes.

`A%val` is a rank-one allocatable array of type `REAL(rp_)`, that holds the values of the entries of the Jacobian matrix  $\mathbf{A}$  in any of the storage schemes discussed in Section 2.1.

`A%row` is a rank-one allocatable array of type `INTEGER(ip_)`, that holds the row indices of  $\mathbf{A}$  in the sparse co-ordinate storage scheme (see Section 2.1.2). It need not be allocated for either of the other two schemes.

`A%col` is a rank-one allocatable array variable of type `INTEGER(ip_)`, that holds the column indices of  $\mathbf{A}$  in either the sparse co-ordinate (see Section 2.1.2), or the sparse row-wise (see Section 2.1.3) storage scheme. It need not be allocated when the dense storage scheme is used.

`A%ptr` is a rank-one allocatable array of dimension `m+1` and type `INTEGER(ip_)`, that holds the starting position of each row of  $\mathbf{A}$ , as well as the total number of entries plus one, in the sparse row-wise storage scheme (see Section 2.1.3). It need not be allocated when the other schemes are used.

`C_l` is a rank-one allocatable array of dimension `m` and type `REAL(rp_)`, that holds the vector of lower bounds  $\mathbf{c}^l$  on the general constraints. The  $i$ -th component of `C_l`,  $i = 1, \dots, m$ , contains  $c_i^l$ . Infinite bounds are allowed by setting the corresponding components of `C_l` to any value smaller than `-infinity`, where `infinity` is a component of the control array `control` (see Section 2.4.3).

`C_u` is a rank-one allocatable array of dimension `m` and type `REAL(rp_)`, that holds the vector of upper bounds  $\mathbf{c}^u$  on the general constraints. The  $i$ -th component of `C_u`,  $i = 1, \dots, m$ , contains  $c_i^u$ . Infinite bounds are allowed by setting the corresponding components of `C_u` to any value larger than `infinity`, where `infinity` is a component of the control array `control` (see Section 2.4.3).

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- `X_l` is a rank-one allocatable array of dimension  $n$  and type `REAL(rp_)`, that holds the vector of lower bounds  $\mathbf{x}^l$  on the variables. The  $j$ -th component of `X_l`,  $j = 1, \dots, n$ , contains  $x_j^l$ . Infinite bounds are allowed by setting the corresponding components of `X_l` to any value smaller than `-infinity`, where `infinity` is a component of the control array `control` (see Section 2.4.3).
- `X_u` is a rank-one allocatable array of dimension  $n$  and type `REAL(rp_)`, that holds the vector of upper bounds  $\mathbf{x}^u$  on the variables. The  $j$ -th component of `X_u`,  $j = 1, \dots, n$ , contains  $x_j^u$ . Infinite bounds are allowed by setting the corresponding components of `X_u` to any value larger than that `infinity`, where `infinity` is a component of the control array `control` (see Section 2.4.3).
- `X` is a rank-one allocatable array of dimension  $n$  and type `REAL(rp_)`, that holds the values  $\mathbf{x}$  of the optimization variables. The  $j$ -th component of `X`,  $j = 1, \dots, n$ , contains  $x_j$ . The vector  $\mathbf{x}^0$  will initially be specified in `X`.
- `Z` is a rank-one allocatable array of dimension  $n$  and type default `REAL(rp_)`, that holds the values  $\mathbf{z}$  of estimates of the dual variables corresponding to the simple bound constraints (see Section 4). The  $j$ -th component of `Z`,  $j = 1, \dots, n$ , contains  $z_j$ .
- `C` is a rank-one allocatable array of dimension  $m$  and type default `REAL(rp_)`, that holds the values  $\mathbf{Ax}$  of the constraints. The  $i$ -th component of `C`,  $i = 1, \dots, m$ , contains  $\mathbf{a}_i^T \mathbf{x} \equiv (\mathbf{Ax})_i$ .
- `Y` is a rank-one allocatable array of dimension  $m$  and type `REAL(rp_)`, that holds the values  $\mathbf{y}$  of estimates of the Lagrange multipliers corresponding to the general linear constraints (see Section 4). The  $i$ -th component of `Y`,  $i = 1, \dots, m$ , contains  $y_i$ .

### 2.4.3 The derived data type for holding control parameters

The derived data type `LSQP_control_type` is used to hold controlling data. Default values may be obtained by calling `LSQP_initialize` (see Section 2.5.1), while components may also be changed by calling `GALAHAD_LSQP_read_spec` (see Section 2.7.1). The components of `LSQP_control_type` are:

- `error` is a scalar variable of type `INTEGER(ip_)`, that holds the stream number for error messages. Printing of error messages in `LSQP_solve` and `LSQP_terminate` is suppressed if `error`  $\leq 0$ . The default is `error` = 6.
- `out` is a scalar variable of type `INTEGER(ip_)`, that holds the stream number for informational messages. Printing of informational messages in `LSQP_solve` is suppressed if `out`  $< 0$ . The default is `out` = 6.
- `print_level` is a scalar variable of type `INTEGER(ip_)`, that is used to control the amount of informational output which is required. No informational output will occur if `print_level`  $\leq 0$ . If `print_level` = 1, a single line of output will be produced for each iteration of the process. If `print_level`  $\geq 2$ , this output will be increased to provide significant detail of each iteration. The default is `print_level` = 0.
- `maxit` is a scalar variable of type `INTEGER(ip_)`, that holds the maximum number of iterations which will be allowed in `LSQP_solve`. The default is `maxit` = 1000.
- `start_print` is a scalar variable of type `INTEGER(ip_)`, that specifies the first iteration for which printing will occur in `LSQP_solve`. If `start_print` is negative, printing will occur from the outset. The default is `start_print` = -1.
- `stop_print` is a scalar variable of type `INTEGER(ip_)`, that specifies the last iteration for which printing will occur in `LSQP_solve`. If `stop_print` is negative, printing will occur once it has been started by `start_print`. The default is `stop_print` = -1.
- `infeas_max` is a scalar variable of type `INTEGER(ip_)`, that specifies the number of iterations for which the overall infeasibility of the problem is not reduced by at least a factor `reduce_infeas` before the problem is flagged as infeasible (see `reduce_infeas`). The default is `infeas_max` = 200.

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`muzero_fixed` is a scalar variable of type `INTEGER(ip_)`, that specifies the number of iterations before the initial barrier parameter (see `muzero`) may be altered. The default is `muzero_fixed = 1`.

`indicator_type` is a scalar variable of type `INTEGER(ip_)`, that specifies the type of indicator used to assess when a variable or constraint is active. Possible values are:

- 1 a variable/constraint is active if and only if the distance to its nearest bound is no larger than `indicator_tol_p` (see below).
- 2 a variable/constraint is active if and only if the distance to its nearest bound is no larger than `indicator_tol_pd` (see below) times the magnitude of its corresponding dual variable.
- 3 a variable/constraint is active if and only if the distance to its nearest bound is no larger than `indicator_tol_tapia` (see below) times the distance to the same bound at the previous iteration.

The default is `indicator_type = 3`.

`restore_problem` is a scalar variable of type `INTEGER(ip_)`, that specifies how much of the input problem is to be restored on output. Possible values are:

- 0 nothing is restored.
- 1 the vector data  $\mathbf{w}$ ,  $\mathbf{g}$ ,  $\mathbf{c}^l$ ,  $\mathbf{c}^u$ ,  $\mathbf{x}^l$ , and  $\mathbf{x}^u$  will be restored to their input values.
- 2 the entire problem, that is the above vector data along with the Jacobian matrix  $\mathbf{A}$ , will be restored.

The default is `restore_problem = 2`.

`infinity` is a scalar variable of type `REAL(rp_)`, that is used to specify which constraint bounds are infinite. Any bound larger than `infinity` in modulus will be regarded as infinite. The default is `infinity = 1019`.

`stop_p` is a scalar variable of type `REAL(rp_)`, that holds the required accuracy for the primal infeasibility (see Section 4). The default is `stop_p =  $u^{1/3}$` , where  $u$  is `EPSILON(1.0)` (`EPSILON(1.0D0)` in `GALAHAD_LSQP_double`).

`stop_d` is a scalar variable of type default `REAL(rp_)`, that holds the required accuracy for the dual infeasibility (see Section 4). The default is `stop_d =  $u^{1/3}$` , where  $u$  is `EPSILON(1.0)` (`EPSILON(1.0D0)` in `GALAHAD_LSQP_double`).

`stop_c` is a scalar variable of type default `REAL(rp_)`, that holds the required accuracy for the violation of complementarity slackness (see Section 4). The default is `stop_c =  $u^{1/3}$` , where  $u$  is `EPSILON(1.0)` (`EPSILON(1.0D0)` in `GALAHAD_LSQP_double`).

`prfeas` is a scalar variable of type `REAL(rp_)`, that aims to specify the closest that any initial variable may be to infeasibility. Any variable closer to infeasibility than `prfeas` will be moved to `prfeas` from the offending bound. However, if a variable is range bounded, and its bounds are closer than `prfeas` apart, it will be moved to the mid-point of the two bounds. The default is `prfeas = 1.0`.

`dufeas` is a scalar variable of type `REAL(rp_)`, that aims to specify the closest that any initial dual variable or Lagrange multiplier may be to infeasibility. Any variable closer to infeasibility than `prfeas` will be moved to `dufeas` from the offending bound. However, if a dual variable is range bounded, and its bounds are closer than `dufeas` apart, it will be moved to the mid-point of the two bounds. The default is `dufeas = 1.0`.

`muzero` is a scalar variable of type `REAL(rp_)`, that holds the initial value of the barrier parameter. If `muzero` is not positive, it will be reset automatically to an appropriate value. The default is `muzero = -1.0`.

`reduce_infeas` is a scalar variable of type default `REAL(rp_)`, that specifies the least factor by which the overall infeasibility of the problem must be reduced, over `infeas_max` consecutive iterations, for it not be declared infeasible (see `infeas_max`). The default is `reduce_infeas = 0.99`.

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`potential_unbounded` is a scalar variable of type default `REAL(rp_)`, that specifies smallest value of the potential function divided by the number of one-sided variable and constraint bounds that will be tolerated before the analytic center is declared to be unbounded. The default is `potential_unbounded = -10.0`.

`identical_bounds_tol` is a scalar variable of type `REAL(rp_)`. Every pair of constraint bounds  $(c_i^l, c_i^u)$  or  $(x_j^l, x_j^u)$  that is closer than `identical_bounds_tol` will be reset to the average of their values,  $\frac{1}{2}(c_i^l + c_i^u)$  or  $\frac{1}{2}(x_j^l + x_j^u)$  respectively. The default is `identical_bounds_tol = u`, where  $u$  is `EPSILON(1.0)` (`EPSILON(1.0D0)` in GALAHAD\_LSQP\_double).

`indicator_tol_p` is a scalar variable of type `REAL(rp_)` that provides the indicator tolerance associated with the test `indicator_type = 1`. The default is `indicator_tol_p = u1/3`, where  $u$  is `EPSILON(1.0)` (`EPSILON(1.0D0)` in GALAHAD\_LSQP\_double).

`indicator_tol_pd` is a scalar variable of type `REAL(rp_)` that provides the indicator tolerance associated with the test `indicator_type = 2`. The default is `indicator_tol_pd = 1.0`.

`indicator_tol_tapia` is a scalar variable of type `REAL(rp_)` that provides the indicator tolerance associated with the test `indicator_type = 3`. The default is `indicator_tol_tapia = 0.9`.

`cpu_time_limit` is a scalar variable of type `REAL(rp_)`, that is used to specify the maximum permitted CPU time. Any negative value indicates no limit will be imposed. The default is `cpu_time_limit = -1.0`.

`clock_time_limit` is a scalar variable of type `REAL(rp_)`, that is used to specify the maximum permitted elapsed system clock time. Any negative value indicates no limit will be imposed. The default is `clock_time_limit = -1.0`.

`remove_dependencies` is a scalar variable of type default `LOGICAL`, that must be set `.TRUE.` if the algorithm is to attempt to remove any linearly dependent constraints before solving the problem, and `.FALSE.` otherwise. We recommend removing linearly dependencies. The default is `remove_dependencies = .TRUE..`

`treat_zero_bounds_as_general` is a scalar variable of type default `LOGICAL`. If it is set to `.FALSE.`, variables which are only bounded on one side, and whose bound is zero, will be recognised as non-negativities/non-positivities rather than simply as lower- or upper-bounded variables. If it is set to `.TRUE.`, any variable bound  $x_j^l$  or  $x_j^u$  which has the value 0.0 will be treated as if it had a general value. Setting `treat_zero_bounds_as_general` to `.TRUE.` has the advantage that if a sequence of problems are reordered, then bounds which are “accidentally” zero will be considered to have the same structure as those which are nonzero. However, GALAHAD\_LSQP is able to take special advantage of non-negativities/non-positivities, so if a single problem, or if a sequence of problems whose bound structure is known not to change, is/are to be solved, it will pay to set the variable to `.FALSE..` The default is `treat_zero_bounds_as_general = .FALSE..`

`just_feasible` is a scalar variable of type default `LOGICAL`, that must be set `.TRUE.` if the algorithm should stop as soon as a feasible point of the constraint set is found, and `.FALSE.` otherwise. The default is `just_feasible = .FALSE..`

`getdua` is a scalar variable of type default `LOGICAL`, that must be set `.TRUE.` if the user-provided estimates of the dual variables should be replaced by estimates whose aim is to try to balance the requirements of dual feasibility and complementary slackness, and `.FALSE.` if users estimates are to be used. The default is `getdua = .FALSE..`

`feasol` is a scalar variable of type default `LOGICAL`, that should be set `.TRUE.` if the final solution obtained will be perturbed so that variables close to their bounds are moved onto these bounds, and `.FALSE.` otherwise. The default is `feasol = .FALSE..`

`balance_initial_complentararity` is a scalar variable of type default `LOGICAL`, that should be set `.TRUE.` if the initial complementarity is required to be balanced, and `.FALSE.` otherwise. The default is `balance_initial_complentararity = .FALSE..`

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`prefix` is a scalar variable of type `default CHARACTER` and length 30, that may be used to provide a user-selected character string to preface every line of printed output. Specifically, each line of output will be prefaced by the string `prefix(2:LEN(TRIM(prefix))-1)`, thus ignoring the first and last non-null components of the supplied string. If the user does not want to preface lines by such a string, they may use the default `prefix = ""`.

`FDC_control` is a scalar variable of type `FDC_control_type` whose components are used to control any detection of linear dependencies performed by the package `GALAHAD_FDC`. See the specification sheet for the package `GALAHAD_FDC` for details, and appropriate default values.

`SBLS_control` is a scalar variable of type `SBLS_control_type` whose components are used to control factorizations performed by the package `GALAHAD_SBLS`. See the specification sheet for the package `GALAHAD_SBLS` for details, and appropriate default values.

#### 2.4.4 The derived data type for holding timing information

The derived data type `LSQP_time_type` is used to hold elapsed CPU and system clock times for the various parts of the calculation. The components of `LSQP_time_type` are:

`total` is a scalar variable of type `REAL(rp_)`, that gives the total CPU time spent in the package.

`preprocess` is a scalar variable of type `REAL(rp_)`, that gives the CPU time spent reordering the problem to standard form prior to solution.

`find_dependent` is a scalar variable of type `REAL(rp_)`, that gives the CPU time spent detecting and removing linearly-dependent equality constraints

`analyse` is a scalar variable of type `REAL(rp_)`, that gives the CPU time spent analysing the required matrices prior to factorization.

`factorize` is a scalar variable of type `REAL(rp_)`, that gives the CPU time spent factorizing the required matrices.

`solve` is a scalar variable of type `REAL(rp_)`, that gives the CPU time spent computing the search direction.

`clock_total` is a scalar variable of type `REAL(rp_)`, that gives the total elapsed system clock time spent in the package.

`clock_preprocess` is a scalar variable of type `REAL(rp_)`, that gives the elapsed system clock time spent reordering the problem to standard form prior to solution.

`clock_find_dependent` is a scalar variable of type `REAL(rp_)`, that gives the elapsed system clock time spent detecting and removing linearly-dependent equality constraints

`clock_analyse` is a scalar variable of type `REAL(rp_)`, that gives the elapsed system clock time spent analysing the required matrices prior to factorization.

`clock_factorize` is a scalar variable of type `REAL(rp_)`, that gives the elapsed system clock time spent factorizing the required matrices.

`clock_solve` is a scalar variable of type `REAL(rp_)`, that gives the elapsed system clock time spent computing the search direction.

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### 2.4.5 The derived data type for holding informational parameters

The derived data type `LSQP_inform_type` is used to hold parameters that give information about the progress and needs of the algorithm. The components of `LSQP_inform_type` are:

`status` is a scalar variable of type `INTEGER(ip_)`, that gives the exit status of the algorithm. See Section 2.6 for details.

`alloc_status` is a scalar variable of type `INTEGER(ip_)`, that gives the status of the last attempted array allocation or deallocation. This will be 0 if `status = 0`.

`bad_alloc` is a scalar variable of type default `CHARACTER` and length 80, that gives the name of the last internal array for which there were allocation or deallocation errors. This will be the null string if `status = 0`.

`iter` is a scalar variable of type `INTEGER(ip_)`, that gives the total number of iterations required.

`factorization_status` is a scalar variable of type `INTEGER(ip_)`, that gives the return status from the matrix factorization.

`factorization_integer` is a scalar variable of type long `INTEGER(ip_)`, that gives the amount of integer storage used for the matrix factorization.

`factorization_real` is a scalar variable of type `INTEGER(int64)`, that gives the amount of real storage used for the matrix factorization.

`nfacts` is a scalar variable of type `INTEGER(ip_)`, that gives the total number of factorizations performed.

`nbacts` is a scalar variable of type `INTEGER(ip_)`, that gives the total number of backtracks performed during the sequence of line searches.

`obj` is a scalar variable of type `REAL(rp_)`, that holds the value of the objective function at the best estimate of the solution found.

`potential` is a scalar variable of type `REAL(rp_)`, that holds the value of the potential function at the best estimate of the analytic center found in the special case when  $\mathbf{w} = 0$ .

`non_negligible_pivot` is a scalar variable of type `REAL(rp_)`, that holds the value of the smallest pivot larger than `control%zero_pivot` when searching for dependent linear constraints. If `non_negligible_pivot` is close to `control%zero_pivot`, this may indicate that there are further dependent constraints, and it may be worth increasing `control%zero_pivot` above `non_negligible_pivot` and solving again.

`feasible` is a scalar variable of type default `LOGICAL`, that has the value `.TRUE.` if the output value of  $\mathbf{x}$  satisfies the constraints, and the value `.FALSE.` otherwise.

`time` is a scalar variable of type `LSQP_time_type` whose components are used to hold elapsed CPU and system clock times for the various parts of the calculation (see Section 2.4.4).

`FDC_inform` is a scalar variable of type `FDC_inform_type` whose components are used to provide information about any detection of linear dependencies performed by the package `GALAHAD_FDC`. See the specification sheet for the package `GALAHAD_FDC` for details, and appropriate default values.

`SBLs_inform` is a scalar variable of type `SBLs_inform_type` whose components are used to provide information about factorizations performed by the package `GALAHAD_SBLs`. See the specification sheet for the package `GALAHAD_SBLs` for details, and appropriate default values.

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### 2.4.6 The derived data type for holding problem data

The derived data type `LSQP_data_type` is used to hold all the data for a particular problem, or sequences of problems with the same structure, between calls of LSQP procedures. This data should be preserved, untouched, from the initial call to `LSQP_initialize` to the final call to `LSQP_terminate`.

## 2.5 Argument lists and calling sequences

There are three procedures for user calls (see Section 2.7 for further features):

1. The subroutine `LSQP_initialize` is used to set default values, and initialize private data, before solving one or more problems with the same sparsity and bound structure.
2. The subroutine `LSQP_solve` is called to solve the problem.
3. The subroutine `LSQP_terminate` is provided to allow the user to automatically deallocate array components of the private data, allocated by `LSQP_solve`, at the end of the solution process. It is important to do this if the data object is re-used for another problem **with a different structure** since `LSQP_initialize` cannot test for this situation, and any existing associated targets will subsequently become unreachable.

We use square brackets [ ] to indicate OPTIONAL arguments.

### 2.5.1 The initialization subroutine

Default values are provided as follows:

```
CALL LSQP_initialize( data, control, inform )
```

`data` is a scalar `INTENT(INOUT)` argument of type `LSQP_data_type` (see Section 2.4.6). It is used to hold data about the problem being solved.

`control` is a scalar `INTENT(OUT)` argument of type `LSQP_control_type` (see Section 2.4.3). On exit, `control` contains default values for the components as described in Section 2.4.3. These values should only be changed after calling `LSQP_initialize`.

`inform` is a scalar `INTENT(INOUT)` argument of type `LSQP_inform_type` (see Section 2.4.5). A successful call to `LSQP_initialize` is indicated when the component `status` has the value 0. For other return values of `status`, see Section 2.6.

### 2.5.2 The linear or separable convex quadratic programming problem solution subroutine

The constrained least-distance problem solution algorithm is called as follows:

```
CALL LSQP_solve( p, data, control, inform[, C_stat, B_stat] )
```

`p` is a scalar `INTENT(INOUT)` argument of type `QPT_problem_type` (see Section 2.4.2). It is used to hold data about the problem being solved. For a new problem, the user must allocate all the array components, and set values for all components except `p%C`. `p%new_problem_structure` must be set `.TRUE.`, but will have been reset to `.FALSE.` on exit from `LSQP_solve`. Users are free to choose whichever of the three matrix formats described in Section 2.1 is appropriate for **A** for their application.

For a problem with the same structure as one that has just been solved, the user may set `p%new_problem_structure` to `.FALSE.`, so long as `LSQP_terminate` has not been called in the interim. The `INTEGER(ip_)` components must be unaltered since the previous call to `LSQP_solve`, but the `REAL(rp_)` may be altered to reflect the new problem.

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The components  $p\%X$ ,  $p\%Y$  and  $p\%Z$  must be set to initial estimates,  $\mathbf{x}^0$ , of the primal variables,  $\mathbf{x}$ , Lagrange multipliers for the general constraints,  $\mathbf{y}$ , and dual variables for the bound constraints,  $\mathbf{z}$ , respectively. Inappropriate initial values will be altered, so the user should not be overly concerned if suitable values are not apparent, and may be content with merely setting  $p\%X=0.0$ ,  $p\%Y=0.0$  and  $p\%Z=0.0$ . The component  $p\%C$  need not be set on entry.

On exit, the components  $p\%X$ ,  $p\%Y$ ,  $p\%Z$  and  $p\%C$  will contain the best estimates of the primal variables  $\mathbf{x}$ , Lagrange multipliers for the general constraints  $\mathbf{y}$ , dual variables for the bound constraints  $\mathbf{z}$ , and values of the constraints  $\mathbf{Ax}$  respectively. What of the remaining problem data has been restored depends upon the input value of the control parameter `control%restore_problem`. The return format for a restored array component will be the same as its input format. **Restrictions:**  $p\%n > 0$ ,  $p\%m \geq 0$  and  $p\%A_{ne} \geq -2$ .

`data` is a scalar `INTENT(INOUT)` argument of type `LSQP_data_type` (see Section 2.4.6). It is used to hold data about the problem being solved. It must not have been altered **by the user** since the last call to `LSQP_initialize`.

`control` is a scalar `INTENT(IN)` argument of type `LSQP_control_type` (see Section 2.4.3). Default values may be assigned by calling `LSQP_initialize` prior to the first call to `LSQP_solve`.

`inform` is a scalar `INTENT(INOUT)` argument of type `LSQP_inform_type` (see Section 2.4.5). A successful call to `LSQP_solve` is indicated when the component `status` has the value 0. For other return values of `status`, see Section 2.6.

`C_stat` is an `OPTIONAL` rank-one `INTENT(OUT)` array argument of dimension  $p\%m$  and type `INTEGER(ip_)`, that if `PRESENT` indicates which of the general linear constraints are likely in the optimal working set (that is a set of active constraints with linearly independent gradients). Possible values for `C_stat(i)`,  $i = 1, \dots, p\%m$ , and their meanings are

- <0 the  $i$ -th general constraint is in the working set, on its lower bound,
- >0 the  $i$ -th general constraint is in the working set, on its upper bound, and
- 0 the  $i$ -th general constraint is not in the working set.

`B_stat` is an `OPTIONAL` rank-one `INTENT(OUT)` array argument of dimension  $p\%n$  and type `INTEGER(ip_)`, that that if `PRESENT` indicates which of the simple bound constraints are likely in the optimal working set. Possible values for `B_stat(j)`,  $j = 1, \dots, p\%n$ , and their meanings are

- <0 the  $j$ -th simple bound constraint is in the working set, on its lower bound,
- >0 the  $j$ -th simple bound constraint is in the working set, on its upper bound, and
- 0 the  $j$ -th simple bound constraint is not in the working set.

### 2.5.3 The termination subroutine

All previously allocated arrays are deallocated as follows:

```
CALL LSQP_terminate( data, control, inform )
```

`data` is a scalar `INTENT(INOUT)` argument of type `LSQP_data_type` exactly as for `LSQP_solve`, which must not have been altered **by the user** since the last call to `LSQP_initialize`. On exit, array components will have been deallocated.

`control` is a scalar `INTENT(IN)` argument of type `LSQP_control_type` exactly as for `LSQP_solve`.

`inform` is a scalar `INTENT(OUT)` argument of type `LSQP_inform_type` exactly as for `LSQP_solve`. Only the component `status` will be set on exit, and a successful call to `LSQP_terminate` is indicated when this component `status` has the value 0. For other return values of `status`, see Section 2.6.

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## 2.6 Warning and error messages

A negative value of `inform%status` on exit from `LSQP_solve` or `LSQP_terminate` indicates that an error has occurred. No further calls should be made until the error has been corrected. Possible values are:

- 1. An allocation error occurred. A message indicating the offending array is written on unit `control%error`, and the returned allocation status and a string containing the name of the offending array are held in `inform%alloc_status` and `inform%bad_alloc` respectively.
- 2. A deallocation error occurred. A message indicating the offending array is written on unit `control%error` and the returned allocation status and a string containing the name of the offending array are held in `inform%alloc_status` and `inform%bad_alloc` respectively. `status` is given by the value `inform%alloc_status`.
- 3. One of the restrictions `prob%n > 0` or `prob%m ≥ 0` or requirements that `prob%A_type` contains its relevant string 'DENSE', 'COORDINATE' or 'SPARSE\_BY\_ROWS' has been violated.
- 4. The bound constraints are inconsistent.
- 5. The constraints appear to have no feasible point.
- 7. The problem is unbounded from below. This can only happen if one (or more)  $w_i = 0$  and its corresponding  $g_i \neq 0$ .
- 8. The analytic center appears to be unbounded.
- 9. The analysis phase of the factorization failed; the return status from the factorization package is given in the component `inform%factor_status`.
- 10. The factorization failed; the return status from the factorization package is given in the component `inform%factor_status`.
- 11. The solution of a set of linear equations using factors from the factorization package failed; the return status from the factorization package is given in the component `inform%factor_status`.
- 16. The problem is so ill-conditioned that further progress is impossible.
- 17. The step is too small to make further impact.
- 18. Too many iterations have been performed. This may happen if `control%maxit` is too small, but may also be symptomatic of a badly scaled problem.
- 19. The elapsed CPU or system clock time limit has been reached. This may happen if either `control%cpu_time_limit` or `control%clock_time_limit` is too small, but may also be symptomatic of a badly scaled problem.

## 2.7 Further features

In this section, we describe an alternative means of setting control parameters, that is components of the variable `control` of type `LSQP_control_type` (see Section 2.4.3), by reading an appropriate data specification file using the subroutine `LSQP_read_specfile`. This facility is useful as it allows a user to change LSQP control parameters without editing and recompiling programs that call LSQP.

A specification file, or `specfile`, is a data file containing a number of "specification commands". Each command occurs on a separate line, and comprises a "keyword", which is a string (in a close-to-natural language) used to identify a control parameter, and an (optional) "value", which defines the value to be assigned to the given control parameter. All keywords and values are case insensitive, keywords may be preceded by one or more blanks but values must not contain blanks, and each value must be separated from its keyword by at least one blank. Values must not contain more

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than 30 characters, and each line of the specfile is limited to 80 characters, including the blanks separating keyword and value.

The portion of the specification file used by `LSQP_read_specfile` must start with a "BEGIN LSQP" command and end with an "END" command. The syntax of the specfile is thus defined as follows:

```
( .. lines ignored by LSQP_read_specfile .. )
BEGIN LSQP
  keyword      value
  .....
  keyword      value
END
( .. lines ignored by LSQP_read_specfile .. )
```

where keyword and value are two strings separated by (at least) one blank. The "BEGIN LSQP" and "END" delimiter command lines may contain additional (trailing) strings so long as such strings are separated by one or more blanks, so that lines such as

```
BEGIN LSQP SPECIFICATION
```

and

```
END LSQP SPECIFICATION
```

are acceptable. Furthermore, between the "BEGIN LSQP" and "END" delimiters, specification commands may occur in any order. Blank lines and lines whose first non-blank character is ! or \* are ignored. The content of a line after a ! or \* character is also ignored (as is the ! or \* character itself). This provides an easy manner to "comment out" some specification commands, or to comment specific values of certain control parameters.

The value of a control parameters may be of three different types, namely integer, logical or real. Integer and real values may be expressed in any relevant Fortran integer and floating-point formats (respectively). Permitted values for logical parameters are "ON", "TRUE", ".TRUE.", "T", "YES", "Y", or "OFF", "NO", "N", "FALSE", ".FALSE." and "F". Empty values are also allowed for logical control parameters, and are interpreted as "TRUE".

The specification file must be open for input when `LSQP_read_specfile` is called, and the associated device number passed to the routine in `device` (see below). Note that the corresponding file is `REWINDED`, which makes it possible to combine the specifications for more than one program/routine. For the same reason, the file is not closed by `LSQP_read_specfile`.

Control parameters corresponding to the components `FDC_control` and `SBLS_control` may be changed by including additional sections enclosed by "BEGIN FDC" and "END FDC", and "BEGIN SBLS" and "END SBLS", respectively. See the specification sheets for the packages `GALAHAD_FDC` and `GALAHAD_SBLS` for further details.

### 2.7.1 To read control parameters from a specification file

Control parameters may be read from a file as follows:

```
CALL LSQP_read_specfile( control, device )
```

`control` is a scalar `INTENT(INOUT)` argument of type `LSQP_control_type` (see Section 2.4.3). Default values should have already been set, perhaps by calling `LSQP_initialize`. On exit, individual components of `control` may have been changed according to the commands found in the specfile. Specfile commands and the component (see Section 2.4.3) of `control` that each affects are given in Table 2.1.

`device` is a scalar `INTENT(IN)` argument of type `INTEGER(ip_)`, that must be set to the unit number on which the specfile has been opened. If `device` is not open, `control` will not be altered and execution will continue, but an error message will be printed on unit `control%error`.

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command	component of control	value type
error-printout-device	%error	integer
printout-device	%out	integer
print-level	%print_level	integer
maximum-number-of-iterations	%maxit	integer
start-print	%start_print	integer
stop-print	%stop_print	integer
maximum-poor-iterations-before-infeasible	%infeas_max	integer
barrier-fixed-until-iteration	%muzero_fixed	integer
indicator-type-used	%indicator_type	integer
restore-problem-on-output	%restore_problem	integer
infinity-value	%infinity	real
primal-accuracy-required	%stop_p	real
dual-accuracy-required	%stop_d	real
complementary-slackness-accuracy-required	%stop_c	real
mininum-initial-primal-feasibility	%prfeas	real
mininum-initial-dual-feasibility	%dufeas	real
initial-barrier-parameter	%muzero	real
poor-iteration-tolerance	%reduce_infeas	real
minimum-potential-before-unbounded	%potential_unbounded	real
identical-bounds-tolerance	%identical_bounds_tol	real
primal-indicator-tolerance	%indicator_tol_p	real
primal-dual-indicator-tolerance	%indicator_tol_pd	real
tapia-indicator-tolerance	%indicator_tol_tapia	real
maximum-cpu-time-limit	%cpu_time_limit	real
maximum-clock-time-limit	%clock_time_limit	real
remove-linear-dependencies	%remove_dependencies	logical
treat-zero-bounds-as-general	%treat_zero_bounds_as_general	logical
just-find-feasible-point	%just_feasible	logical
get-advanced-dual-variables	%getdua	logical
move-final-solution-onto-bound	%feasol	logical

Table 2.1: Specfile commands and associated components of control.

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## 2.8 Information printed

If `control%print_level` is positive, information about the progress of the algorithm will be printed on unit `control%out`. If `control%print_level = 1`, a single line of output will be produced for each iteration of the process. This will include values of the current primal and dual infeasibility, and violation of complementary slackness, the feasibility-phase objective value, the current steplength, the value of the barrier parameter, the number of backtracks in the linesearch and the elapsed clock time in seconds.

If `control%print_level ≥ 2` this output will be increased to provide significant detail of each iteration. This extra output includes residuals of the linear systems solved, and, for larger values of `control%print_level`, values of the primal and dual variables and Lagrange multipliers.

## 3 GENERAL INFORMATION

**Use of common:** None.

**Workspace:** Provided automatically by the module.

**Other routines called directly:** None.

**Other modules used directly:** `LSQP_solve` calls the `GALAHAD` packages `GALAHAD_CLOCK`, `GALAHAD_SYMBOLS`, `GALAHAD_SPACE`, `GALAHAD_TOOLS`, `GALAHAD_SPECFILE`, `GALAHAD_SMT`, `GALAHAD_QPT`, `GALAHAD_QPP`, `GALAHAD_QPD`, `GALAHAD_ROOTS`, `GALAHAD_SBLS` and `GALAHAD_FDC`.

**Input/output:** Output is under control of the arguments `control%error`, `control%out` and `control%print_level`.

**Restrictions:** `prob%n > 0`, `prob%m ≥ 0`, `prob%A_type ∈ {'DENSE', 'COORDINATE', 'SPARSE_BY_ROWS'}`.

**Portability:** ISO Fortran 95 + TR 15581 or Fortran 2003. The package is thread-safe.

## 4 METHOD

The required solution  $\mathbf{x}$  necessarily satisfies the primal optimality conditions

$$\mathbf{Ax} = \mathbf{c} \quad (4.1)$$

and

$$\mathbf{c}^l \leq \mathbf{c} \leq \mathbf{c}^u, \quad \mathbf{x}^l \leq \mathbf{x} \leq \mathbf{x}^u, \quad (4.2)$$

the dual optimality conditions

$$\mathbf{W}^2(\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x}^0) + \mathbf{g} = \mathbf{A}^T \mathbf{y} + \mathbf{z}, \quad \mathbf{y} = \mathbf{y}^l + \mathbf{y}^u \quad \text{and} \quad \mathbf{z} = \mathbf{z}^l + \mathbf{z}^u, \quad (4.3)$$

and

$$\mathbf{y}^l \geq 0, \quad \mathbf{y}^u \leq 0, \quad \mathbf{z}^l \geq 0 \quad \text{and} \quad \mathbf{z}^u \leq 0, \quad (4.4)$$

and the complementary slackness conditions

$$(\mathbf{Ax} - \mathbf{c}^l)^T \mathbf{y}^l = 0, \quad (\mathbf{Ax} - \mathbf{c}^u)^T \mathbf{y}^u = 0, \quad (\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x}^l)^T \mathbf{z}^l = 0 \quad \text{and} \quad (\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x}^u)^T \mathbf{z}^u = 0, \quad (4.5)$$

where the diagonal matrix  $\mathbf{W}^2$  has diagonal entries  $w_j^2$ ,  $j = 1, \dots, n$ , the vectors  $\mathbf{y}$  and  $\mathbf{z}$  are known as the Lagrange multipliers for the general linear constraints, and the dual variables for the bounds, respectively, and where the vector inequalities hold componentwise.

Primal-dual interior point methods iterate towards a point that satisfies these conditions by ultimately aiming to satisfy (4.1), (4.3) and (4.5), while ensuring that (4.2) and (4.4) are satisfied as strict inequalities at each stage.

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Appropriate norms of the amounts by which (4.1), (4.3) and (4.5) fail to be satisfied are known as the primal and dual infeasibility, and the violation of complementary slackness, respectively. The fact that (4.2) and (4.4) are satisfied as strict inequalities gives such methods their other title, namely interior-point methods.

When  $\mathbf{w} \neq 0$  or  $\mathbf{g} \neq 0$ , the method aims at each stage to reduce the overall violation of (4.1), (4.3) and (4.5), rather than reducing each of the terms individually. Given an estimate  $\mathbf{v} = (\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{c}, \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{y}^l, \mathbf{y}^u, \mathbf{z}, \mathbf{z}^l, \mathbf{z}^u)$  of the primal-dual variables, a correction  $\Delta \mathbf{v} = \Delta(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{c}, \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{y}^l, \mathbf{y}^u, \mathbf{z}, \mathbf{z}^l, \mathbf{z}^u)$  is obtained by solving a suitable linear system of Newton equations for the nonlinear systems (4.1), (4.3) and a parameterized perturbation of (4.5). An improved estimate  $\mathbf{v} + \alpha \Delta \mathbf{v}$  is then used, where the stepsize  $\alpha$  is chosen as close to 1.0 as possible while ensuring both that (4.2) and (4.4) continue to hold and that the individual components which make up the complementary slackness (4.5) do not deviate too significantly from their average value. The parameter that controls the perturbation of (4.5) is ultimately driven to zero. The Newton equations are solved by applying the GALAHAD matrix factorization package `GALAHAD_SBLS`, but there are options to factorize the matrix as a whole (the so-called "augmented system" approach), to perform a block elimination first (the "Schur-complement" approach), or to let the method itself decide which of the two previous options is more appropriate. The "Schur-complement" approach is usually to be preferred when all the weights are nonzero or when every variable is bounded (at least one side), but may be inefficient if any of the columns of  $\mathbf{A}$  is too dense.

When  $\mathbf{w} = 0$  and  $\mathbf{g} = 0$ , the method aims instead firstly to find an interior primal feasible point, that is to ensure that (4.1) is satisfied. Once this has been achieved, attention is switched to minimizing the potential function

$$\phi(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{c}) = - \sum_{i=1}^m \log(c_i - c_i^l) - \sum_{i=1}^m \log(c_i^u - c_i) - \sum_{j=1}^n \log(x_j - x_j^l) - \sum_{j=1}^n \log(x_j^u - x_j),$$

while ensuring that (4.1) remain satisfied and that  $\mathbf{x}$  and  $\mathbf{c}$  are strictly interior points for (4.2). The global minimizer of this minimization problem is known as the analytic center of the feasible region, and may be viewed as a feasible point that is as far from the boundary of the constraints as possible. Note that terms in the above summations corresponding to infinite bounds are ignored, and that equality constraints are treated specially. Appropriate "primal" Newton corrections are used to generate a sequence of improving points converging to the analytic center, while the iteration is stabilized by performing linesearches along these corrections with respect to  $\phi(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{c})$ .

In order to make the solution as efficient as possible, the variables and constraints are reordered internally by the GALAHAD package `GALAHAD_QPP` prior to solution. In particular, fixed variables, and free (unbounded on both sides) constraints are temporarily removed.

## References:

The basic algorithm is that of

Y. Zhang (1994). On the convergence of a class of infeasible interior-point methods for the horizontal linear complementarity problem. *SIAM J. Optimization* **4** (1) 208-227,

with a number of enhancements described by

A. R. Conn, N. I. M. Gould, D. Orban and Ph. L. Toint (1999). A primal-dual trust-region algorithm for minimizing a non-convex function subject to general inequality and linear equality constraints. *Mathematical Programming* **87** 215-249.

## 5 EXAMPLE OF USE

Suppose we wish to find a point "closest" to  $\mathbf{x}^0 = (-2, 1, 3)^T$  that satisfies the general linear constraints  $1 \leq 2x_1 + x_2 \leq 2$ ,  $x_2 + x_3 = 2$ , and simple bounds  $-1 \leq x_1 \leq 1$  and  $x_3 \leq 2$ . Suppose furthermore, that we wish to measure "closest" using firstly the weights  $\mathbf{w} = (0.1, 1, 2)^T$  and secondly  $\mathbf{w} = (1, 1, 1)^T$ , and that we also wish to find the analytic center

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of the feasible region. Then, on writing the data for this problem as

$$\mathbf{A} = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ & 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}, \mathbf{c}^l = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix}, \mathbf{c}^u = \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix}, \mathbf{x}^l = \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ -\infty \\ -\infty \end{pmatrix} \text{ and } \mathbf{x}^u = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ \infty \\ 2 \end{pmatrix}$$

we may use the following code—note that we ask for high accuracy when finding the analytic center by setting `control%stop_c = 10-16` and `control%itref_max = 2`:

```
! THIS VERSION: GALAHAD 2.2 - 23/04/2008 AT 16:30 GMT.
PROGRAM GALAHAD_LSQP_EXAMPLE
USE GALAHAD_LSQP_double                ! double precision version
IMPLICIT NONE
INTEGER, PARAMETER :: wp = KIND( 1.0D+0 ) ! set precision
REAL ( KIND = wp ), PARAMETER :: infinity = 10.0_wp ** 20
TYPE ( QPT_problem_type ) :: p
TYPE ( LSQP_data_type ) :: data
TYPE ( LSQP_control_type ) :: control
TYPE ( LSQP_inform_type ) :: inform
INTEGER, PARAMETER :: n = 3, m = 2, a_ne = 4
INTEGER :: i, s

! start problem data
ALLOCATE( p%X_l( n ), p%X_u( n ) )
ALLOCATE( p%C_l( m ), p%C_u( m ) )
ALLOCATE( p%X( n ), p%Y( m ), p%Z( n ) )
p%new_problem_structure = .TRUE.          ! new structure
p%n = n ; p%m = m ; p%f = 0.0_wp         ! dimensions & objective constant
p%C_l = (/ 1.0_wp, 2.0_wp /)             ! constraint lower bound
p%C_u = (/ 2.0_wp, 2.0_wp /)             ! constraint upper bound
p%X_l = (/ -1.0_wp, -infinity, -infinity /) ! variable lower bound
p%X_u = (/ 1.0_wp, infinity, 2.0_wp /)    ! variable upper bound
p%gradient_kind = 0

! sparse co-ordinate storage format: integer components
CALL SMT_put( p%A%type, 'COORDINATE', s ) ! storage for H and A
ALLOCATE( p%A%val( a_ne ), p%A%row( a_ne ), p%A%col( a_ne ) )
p%A%row = (/ 1, 1, 2, 2 /)                ! Jacobian A
p%A%col = (/ 1, 2, 2, 3 /) ; p%A%ne = a_ne

! integer components complete
CALL LSQP_initialize( data, control, inform ) ! Initialize control parameters
control%infinity = infinity                 ! Set infinity
control%restore_problem = 1                 ! Restore vector data on exit

! control%print_level = 1
! control%SBLs_control%symmetric_linear_solver = 'ma57'
! control%SBLs_control%print_level = 1
! control%FDC_control%print_level = 1
DO i = 0, 2
! DO i = 0, 1
    p%X = (/ -2.0_wp, 1.0_wp, 3.0_wp /)      ! set x0
    p%Y = 0.0_wp ; p%Z = 0.0_wp              ! start multipliers from zero
! sparse co-ordinate storage format: real components
    p%A%val = (/ 2.0_wp, 1.0_wp, 1.0_wp, 1.0_wp /) ! Jacobian A
! real components complete
    p%Hessian_kind = 2 - i
    IF ( p%Hessian_kind == 0 ) THEN
        control%stop_c = 10.0_wp ** ( - 12 ) ; control%itref_max = 2
    END IF
```

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IF ( p%Hessian_kind == 2 ) THEN
  ALLOCATE( p%WEIGHT( n ) ) ; p%WEIGHT = (/ 0.1_wp, 1.0_wp, 2.0_wp /)
  ALLOCATE( p%X0( n ) )
END IF
IF ( p%Hessian_kind /= 0 ) p%X0 = p%X
CALL LSQP_solve( p, data, control, inform )    ! Solve problem
IF ( inform%status == 0 ) THEN                ! Successful return
  IF ( p%Hessian_kind == 0 ) THEN
    WRITE( 6, "( ' Eg ', I1, I6, ' iterations. Optimal potential value =', &
      &      ES12.4, '/', ' Analytic center = ', ( 5ES12.4 ) )" )      &
    i + 1, inform%iter, inform%potential, p%X
  ELSE
    WRITE( 6, "( ' Eg ', I1, I6, ' iterations. Optimal objective value =', &
      &      ES12.4, '/', ' Optimal solution = ', ( 5ES12.4 ) )" )    &
    i + 1, inform%iter, inform%obj, p%X
  END IF
ELSE
  ! Error returns
  WRITE( 6, "( ' LSQP_solve exit status = ', I6 ) " ) inform%status
END IF
END DO
CALL LSQP_terminate( data, control, inform )    ! delete internal workspace
END PROGRAM GALAHAD_LSQP_EXAMPLE

```

This produces the following output:

```

Eg 1      6 iterations. Optimal objective value = 2.5313E+00
Optimal solution = 5.0022E-01 4.1431E-07 2.0000E+00
Eg 2      8 iterations. Optimal objective value = 2.7500E+00
Optimal solution = -4.9773E-01 2.4977E+00 2.0000E+00
Eg 3      7 iterations. Optimal potential value = 7.1493E-01
Analytic center = -3.7381E-01 2.3013E+00 -3.0132E-01

```

The same problem may be solved holding the data in a sparse row-wise storage format by replacing the lines

```

! sparse co-ordinate storage format: integer components
...
! integer components complete

```

by

```

! sparse row-wise storage format: integer components
CALL SMT_put( p%A%type, 'SPARSE_BY_ROWS' ) ! Specify sparse-by-row storage
ALLOCATE( p%A%val( a_ne ), p%A%col( a_ne ), p%A%ptr( m + 1 ) )
p%A%col = (/ 1, 2, 2, 3 /)                ! Jacobian A
p%A%ptr = (/ 1, 3, 5 /)                    ! Set row pointers
! integer components complete

```

and

```

! sparse co-ordinate storage format: real components
...
! real components complete

```

by

```

! sparse row-wise storage format: real components
p%A%val = (/ 2.0_wp, 1.0_wp, 1.0_wp, 1.0_wp /) ! Jacobian A
! real components complete

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or using a dense storage format with the replacement lines

```
! dense storage format: integer components
  CALL SMT_put( p%A%type, 'DENSE' ) ! Specify dense storage for A
  ALLOCATE( p%A%val( n * m ) )
! integer components complete
```

and

```
! dense storage format: real components
  p%A%val = (/ 2.0_wp, 1.0_wp, 0.0_wp, 0.0_wp, 1.0_wp, 1.0_wp /) ! Jacobian
! real components complete
```

respectively.